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SUBJ: ARRIVAL OF RAL DC-4

REF: VIENTIANE 6246

1. THE NEWSPAPER XAT LAO REPORTED ON AUGUST 20 THAT MR. PANE BOUAKET CHANTHAPANYA, ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR OF ROYAL AIR LAO, HAD TOLD THEM THAT RAL HAD RECEIVED THE FIRST OF ITS THREE DC-4'S UNDER IT AGREEMENT WITH AIR FRANCE. ACCORDING TO PANE, AIR FRANCE HAD BOUGHT THE PLANES IN ORDER TO SELL THEM TO RAL ON CREDIT, WITH NO INTEREST, FOR 750 THOUSANDS FRENCH FRANCS. RAL, ONE MONTH AFTER RECEIVING THEM AND PUTTING THEM INTO SERVICE, WILL HAVE TO PAY AIR FRANCE MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS OF 15 THOUSAND DOLLARS. THE CARAVELLE IS TO COST ONLY THE SYMBOLIC SUM OF ONE FRANC.

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2. THE DC-4 ARRIVED ON AUGUST 16 AND, ACCORDING TO PANE, RAL NOW EXPECTS THE SECOND ON AUGUST 26, AND THE THIRD DC-4 PLUS

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THE CARAVELLE TOWARD THE END OF OCTOBER.

3. PANE ADDED THAT THE FRENCH CREW WOULD REMAIN AT VIENTIANE
FOR AT LEAST TWO WEEKS TO TRAIN A LAO CREW IN THE NEW AIRCRAFT.
HE STATED THAT RAL HAD AT PRESENT TWO LAO PILOTS AND WAS ASKING
THE AIR FORCE TO MAKE MILITARY PILOTS AVAILABLE TO IT SO AS TO AVOID
HAVING TO USE FOREIGN EXCHANGE TO PAY FOREIGN PILOTS.
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